

Re: e-data from DTSC

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Hi Sara,
Thanks for the update!

I appreciate your assistance in trying to stimulate discussion amongst the state stake holders that are managing sites that are in and around the 4 and 1/2 mile Omega OU2 plume area--and I appreciate your efforts to encourage participation in a pilot e-data project to facilitate the sharing of data from those sites with our agency.

As per our discussion, It is my understanding that the first e-data workshop was held last month and involved a full review of the data portal itself and an overview of the e-data pilot project. Further, it is my understanding that it was agreed that an actual "kick off date" for e-data project would follow, as participants were still being identified.

In exchanging voice messages with Shanon out of Sacramento: 916-323-3397 and cell 916-203-1157, it is my understanding the the next meeting has not been scheduled, but things are moving forward so appreciate efforts to move EPA's request forward.

as an FYI I've attached a plume map that indicates the state sites (DTSC and RWQCB) overlaid USEPA is very interested in encouraging and persuading the following participants to join in the e-data pilot project:

The five sites in envirostor that we want to encourage participation in the e-data project are:

1. Omega (LParnuss)-- done. will be participating.
2. McKessen (LParnass) --
3. Phibrotech (KSanMiguel) --
4. Angeles (SHarari) --
5. WDI (JFierro) --

EPA is also interested in a site that is not in envirostor at all: Foss Plating (IEdwards)---

So far: we have only Omega participating.

As you know, EPA Omega chemical superfund site is a 4.5 mile plume that overlaps with these state lead sites and we are eager to share data in an expedient, efficient and ongoing basis. As EPA moves forward with our remedial action proposals the sharing of information becomes a high priority. In the past, the sharing of data has required a lot of phone calling and handholding. At times the data we do receive is sporadic, late in arriving, and in an unuseable format (pdf vs.spreadsheet)

We are happy to help break down any Obstacles --and do our best to get all six of the DTSC sites listed above--engaged in the e-data pilot project. Identifying and resolving the current obstacles has been puzzling on this end. The two potential obstacles we've identified and ideas for resolving them include:

- 1) **Resistance from the PRPs:** To help assist in this matter EPA is happy to provide a letter

encouraging the PRPs to participate in the data pilot. If the PMs (LParnass, KSanMiquel, SHarrari and JFierro) could please let me know the PRP, name, contact, phone and email. I will provide a letter and cc the PM ASAP (next week) It would be great if the PMs could get this information to me before our next state stakeholders meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday, November 18th at 1pm (after the WRD meeting--see email under separate cover)


2) Resistance from the DTSC project managers: It is my understanding that the goal of edata is to make the PM's role easier, to expedite the whole review process. Therefore, there shouldn't be any additional time requirements on the PM's part. It may be that the PM's have been misinformed or do not have full knowledge of the project's goals and objectives. Could DTSC help put together a memo that clearly outlines the project, and identifies any time commitments needed etc? And also maybe identify the expected time savings to the PMs going forward?

Please let me know, what else I can do to assist in this matter.

Lynda

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"The ultimate measure of a man [woman] is not where he [she] stands in moments of comfort and convenience but where he [she] stands at times of challenge and controversy." Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Hello Lynda, Sandra and Eileen...and everyone,

Thank you, Lynda, for your communication and in particular for the informative telephone conversation yesterday with J.T. regarding the DTSC EnviroStor pilot project (EPP) for electronic data submission. As I had said, I submitted a request to add the Omega project a week or so ago... My understanding, as we briefly discussed, is that there is room for other projects. Again, Sandra and others will be providing further information at the training event, tomorrow: 09.30.09 at 1300 hours.

Having performed a project search in EnviroStor this morning, I am sorry to report that I was not able any information for several of the sites you are interested in adding to the EPP. I may be wrong however I think we may have to add these sites to EnviroStor to acquire proper identification numbers before they can be included as participants in the EPP, others can verify that info. For the following four projects, I have included the Project Managers in this communication...in hopes that they will fill in the blanks for us.

Foss, 8140 Secura Way: EnviroStor #
Fibrotech, 8851 Dice Road: EnviroStor #
McKessen Phibrotech, 12504 & 12512 E. Whittier Rd. (Whittier CA 90602):
EnviroStor #
Mission Linen, 11920 E. Washington Blvd: EnviroStor #

Eileen and Sandra are DTSC EnviroStor gurus and can assist us in working out the glitches.

Sandra and Eileen,

Please...can you tell us if there is a way for Lynda to participate in the EPP training event tomorrow. US EPA is very interested in taking an active role in the EPP and I would like to do what ever I can to see that happen for them, for us, for all (now, that came out sounding pretty good).

I was able to locate a number for Angeles Chemical Company Inc: EnviroStor # 19290306...is it safe to presume that Angeles can be added to the EPP?

Thank you, all...

Make it a great day.

Sara

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"Truth once crushed, will rise again."
Martin Luther King

Please note, employees of the Department of Toxic Substances Control are currently under a mandatory 3 day a month furlough program, an Executive Order authorized by the Governor. Our office is closed on the first, second and third Friday of each month until June 2010 or further notice. This may delay my ability to respond to your email in a timely fashion; I will respond as soon as I am able. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

>>> <Deschambault.Lynda@epamail.epa.gov> 9/28/2009 4:41 PM >>>
Hi Lori,

Thank you very much for your call today and for trying to see what we can do about getting e-data for the various DTSC sites -- (per your email below...Foss included)

I talked with JT Liu and Sara Michael (714-816-1983) today----and our timing is perfect.
As you mentioned, and they concurred, there is going to be a DTSC e-data training event on Wednesday at 1pm.

JT and Sara noted that there would be more information after that session, and EPA also noted that we would be happy to participate in the training call and/or have our EPA contractor Tom Perina from Hill join in the discussion. It is my understanding that improvements are also being considered for sites that already submit data electronically---perhaps a discussion of how to make the current e-data information more consistent.

Per Sara and JT ----Omega has already been submitted as a potential "pilot" for sharing e-data etc.
But I further clarified that there are a number of sites in and around Omega that we are requesting e-data for
(Foss, Fibrotech, McKessen Phibrotech, Angeles, Mission Linen)

We also understand that DTSC managers and PMs are needed to assist in this effort and to offer to participate in the DTSC e-data training.
Therefore, I'm also copying my supervisor Fred Schaufler, so that he may have the opportunity to raise this to the management level during the next EPA-DTSC discussions.

EPA is hereby requesting that various sites in and around Omega, be included in your pilot project.

Please see the attached list of attendees from our august 20th

stakeholders meeting and know that there may be some others that are in or around the Omega OU2 plume that are not on this list (i.e. Angeles , and PM Steve Hariri) I am attaching the map that EPA provided at our last State Stakeholders---of the entire universe of sites relative to Omega. But we are primarily interested in the key sites that I mentioned above.

Also, I am including RI Fact sheet for some general background information for some of the folks like Sara who I'm copying on this email

thank you to everyone for your assistance.
Please let me know your thoughts on next steps.

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Re: Omega Chemical Superfund Site - List of PRPs sent General Notice Letters (GNL)

Lori,

Lynda will respond to your question on Foss but I wanted to provide more information on the PRPs. The list I provided yesterday was for the Owner and/or Operator PRPs but we also have a large list of "generator" PRPs who delivered waste to Omega Chemical. I'm attaching one example of the Special Notice Letters (SNL) that we mailed in June plus two of the enclosures to the SNL which are two lists that show the generator PRPs (in volume and alphabetical order). These lists show all of the "Major" or largest generator PRPs at Omega.

Linda

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Re: Omega Chemical Superfund Site - List of PRPs sent General Notice Letters (GNL)

Hi Linda and Lynda,

Thanks for the list, its a good start. I actually thought Caltrans was included and it may be OSVOG not OPOG? Lynda, I see that Foss Plating was sent a General Notice Letter. Currently DTSC is working on coordinating a response to your data sharing request. How important is Foss' edata for the Omega project?

Thanks again, Lori

>>> <Ketellapper.Linda@epamail.epa.gov> 9/24/2009 4:45 PM >>>
Lori,

Attached is a list of all the owner and/or operator PRPs that EPA has issued GNLs to as of this date. If you look at the column on the right of the table it provides the exact address of the property to which the GNL applies. Based on your voice message, I think this list provides the information you were interested in but if not, please let me know.

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